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C O N F I D E N T I A L MOSCOW 9948

E.; 9. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PINT, IT, UR  
SUBJECT: PCI DELEGATION VISIT: CPSU-PCI RELATIONS

REFS: A. MOSCOW 9710, B. MOSCOW 9790

72 BRITISH EMBOFF INFORMS US THAT ITALIAN JOURNALIST,  
PIERO OSTELLINO (CORRIERE DELLA SERA) LEARNED FROM A MEMBER  
OF PCI DELEGATION THAT WAS IN MOSCOW JUNE 29 TO JULY 2  
(REFTELS) THAT PCI GROUP MADE THREE MAIN POINTS TO SUSLOV  
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ON PCI POLICY. FIRST THEY SAID THAT CURRENT LINE ON  
USING PARLIAMENTARY MEANS TO COME TO POWER WAS NOT JUST A  
TACTIC BUT WAS A FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLE OF PCI AND  
WOULD NOT CHANGE. SECONDLY, THEY ARGUED THAT "DICTA-  
TORSHIP OF THE PROLETARIAT" DOES NOT CORRESPOND TO  
ITALIAN SITUATION AND THERE WILL BE NO SUCH PERIOD OF  
DICTATORSHIP IN ITALY. THIRDLY, AND RELATED TO THE

SECOND POINT, THEY STATE  
THAT A PLURALIST, MULTI-PARTY  
DEMOCRACY WOULD CONTINUE TO EXIST IN ITALY EVEN AFTER  
THE PCI COMES TO POWER IN ITALY.

2. ACCORDING TO OSTELLINO PCI DELEGATION WAS SURPRISED  
AT CALM RESPONSE OF SUSLOV TO THESE STATEMENTS,  
SINCE THEY HAD EXPECTED MORE CRITICISM THAN THEY IN  
FACT GOT FOR MAKING THEM.

3. COMMENT: WE CANNOT EVALUATE ACCURACY OF OSTELLINO'S  
REPORT ALTHOUGH BRITISH EMBOFF TELLS US HE HAD HEARD  
BEFORE THE DELEGATION'S ARRIVAL FROM OTHER SOURCES  
THAT PCI DEL'S PRESENTATION WAS TO BE ALONG THESE LINES  
AND THAT OSTELLINO CONFIRMED THAT POINTS WERE MADE.  
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